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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MARR VS IR
SUBJ: PLANNED MOVEMENTS OF IRANIAN ICCS PERSONNEL

REF: TEHRAN 6401; TEHRAN 5884

1. ACCORDING TO MFA (MAHMOUD HATEF) THREE IRANIAN MILITARY OFFICERS WHO HAVE BEEN RECEIVING BRIEFINGS IN OTTAWA ON ICCS MATTERS, WILL RETURN TO TEHRAN ON SEPTEMBER 16. THESE OFFICERS WILL BRIEF OTHER IRANIANS HERE FOR A FEW DAYS BEFORE GOING TO SAIGON.

2. MEANWHILE STAFF LT. COLONEL SHAHRDAR WHO RETURNED FROM SAIGON SOME DAYS AGO, HAS COMPLETED A WRITTEN REPORT ON HIS VISIT TO SOUTH VIET-NAM. AMONG OTHER THINGS, REPORT CONTAINS DETAILED BREAKDOWN OF NUMBERS OF IRANIAN ICCS PERSONNEL NEEDEDRUN VARIOUS CATEGORIES IN VRT-NAM. AFTER SHAH HAS STUDIED REPORT AND APPROVED IT, MOVEMENTS OF ICCS WILL BEGIN. THE FIRST MAJOR MOVEMENT TO VIET-NAM IS TENTATIVELY SET TO BEGIN IN ABOUT TEN DAYS WITH FULL IRANIAN COMPLEMENT TO BE IN SAIGON BY OCTOBER 5.

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3. COMMENT: THE OCTOBER 5 DEADLINE COULD PROVE TO

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BE SOMEWHAT OPTIMISTIC, BUT EMBASSY DOES DETECT AN AIR
OF GROWING CONFIDENCE, AT LEAST AT THE FOREIGN MINISTRY
LEVEL, THAT IRAN IS REALLY GETTING ITS TEETH INTO THE
ICCS OPERATION.
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